

MINUTES

CASE NUMBER: 1:19-cv-00315-RT

CASE NAME: Donna Opulento, etc., et al., vs. State of Hawaii Department of Public Safety, et al.,

ATTYS FOR PLTF: Eric A. Seitz
Rosalyn G. Payen

ATTY FOR DEFTS: Kendall J. Moser

JUDGE:	Rom Trader	REPORTER:	C5 - FTR
DATE:	5/8/2025	TIME:	10:58 AM – 11:10 AM

COURT ACTION: EP: MOTION HEARING regarding [ECF[173]] *Joint Motion for Preliminary Approval of Settlement* (“Motion”) had on 5/8/2025.

Court takes judicial notice of its records and files, including:

1. [ECF [98]] *Order Granting Plaintiffs’ Motion for Class Certification*;
2. [ECF [131]] *Second Amended Complaint for Injunctive Relief and Declaratory Relief*;
3. [ECF [173]] *Motion*; and
4. All prior court proceedings and orders.

The Court adopts the arguments and authorities relied upon by the parties and **GRANTS Motion**.

Accordingly, the *Settlement* is granted preliminary approval by the Court. ECF No. 173-3. Furthermore, the proposed *Notice to the Class of Settlement Agreement* (“Notice”) is approved. ECF No. 173-4.

The *Notice* shall be posted/published as proposed by the parties by no later than **5/15/2025**. Class members shall transmit any written comments or objections to the *Settlement* to Mr. Seitz’ office by no later than close of business on **6/11/2025**.

A **Fairness Hearing** is scheduled for **6/18/2025 at 10:00 a.m.** in **Courtroom 5** before Magistrate Judge Trader. The Telephone Conference previously scheduled for 6/18/2025 at 10:00 a.m. is VACATED.

Mr. Moser to prepare a proposed order granting the *Motion* to Trader_Orders@hid.uscourts.gov by **5/12/2025**.

Submitted by: Anjelica Barker, Courtroom Manager